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POLICEMAN CHASING AUTO IS STIFLED BY AMMONIA.

Changeses Who Exceed Speed Limit Invent New Way to Escape

New York, Oct. \$1.-Automobilists who to the speed law have discovered a means for escaping minions of the who pursue them. Ammonia, thrown some sort of a syringe, is the safe-rd. At least its use has been demonsted successfully in a thrilling chase by lifth avenue policeman mounted on a

rith avenue potterman mounted on a pole. The officer has arrested scores of autocollista, and has become somewhat of a cor to those who exceed the speed limit, a be was pedalling up Fifth avenue, thing the endless stream of carriages motor cars, a big touring machine had past bearing two men and two men. He called upon the chauffour to a down, but a derisive laugh was easy answer and the policeman took or the party. He did his best from the half and fust reached the back of the machine m a puff of vapor shot into his face he sutomobile party had disappeared in the officer had regained his breath, trundled his broken bicycle to the closs house.



TAYLOR MAKES REPLY TO PARKER'S SPEECH.

Acting Secretary of Treasury Says Drafts Are Always Heavier During First Months of Year.

ng Secretary of the Treasury, said to-day with reference to the speech of Judge'

"I made a brief statement a few days ago mildly calling attention to several very apparent errors on his part, uninentional, no doubt, but made out of the fullness of his misinformation in regard to the conduct of certain public affalia.

The Judge has not 'joined issue' as to any of the facts, neither has he admitted his a speech mixing up a few of my figures with many others to which I made no ref-

"Judge Parker referred again to the Treasury deficit of 234,000,300 during the first two mouths of this fiscal year and compares it with the small deficit of last year for the corresponding months. Just why he singled out last year for a comparison I leave the reader to judge. If he had taken several other recent years he would have found the deficit larger toan this year.

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"As I said in my previous statement, the drafts upon the Treasury are always of necessity the heaviest during the first months of the fiscal year. The reason is apparent. Practically all appropriations lapse on June 20, the end of the firsal year. The new appropriations are not available until July 1. Then every disbursing officer draws for money to meet the obligations that begin to accrue during the new year. This year, during the months of July and August, £19,479,274 was advanced to disbursing officers."

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COMMISSION FOR INDIANS. Will Have Charge of Financial

Matters in Creek Nation.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Okmulgee, I. T., Oct. 21.—The Creek Council, just before adjournment last ight, took important action in a bill that of greater interest than any matter that has yet been passed upon by the Council. It was the creation of a commission, composed of six members, which will be an executive committee of the Na-tion during the period from time of apment until tribal government ceases The Chief is to be an ex-officio member of this committee and the other mer ire to be elected by the Council. The committee will be intrusted with all mat-

ters concerning the financial affairs of the Nation.

There is an appropriation of \$6,000 for the committee. It will hold sessions whenever the business of the Nation seems to demand.

Sessions will be held in Washington and the commission will spend some time there this winter, lobbying for measures which they believe would be to the advantage of the Nation in winding up affairs.

The commission will be called upon to provide a plan for the distribution of the 80,000 acres of surplus land in the Creek Nation among the allottees and the sale of other lands in the Nation.

IS THIS INDIAN A CITIZEN? Court to Decide Status of Red

Man Owning Property. ington, Oct. 21.—If a motion filed by Attorney Crans of Holton, Kaz, is grant-ed, the Supreme Court of the United

ed, the Supreme Court of the United States will be called on to decide whether an Indian becomes a citisen of the United States by taking land in severalty.

The case is that of Albert Neff of Kaness, who has been sentenced by the United States District Court to pay a fine of She and serve a term of four months in prison on the charge of selling beer to a kickappo Indian.

Mr. Crane asks the court for a writ of habeas corpus releasing Neff from imprisonment, on the ground that Noff, who owns land in severalty, is, by viriue of that fact, a citizen of the United States, thus rendering inapplicable the statute making it a misdemeanor to sell intoxicants to Indians.

CUBAN OFFICIAL DENIES REPORT THAT PEOPLE FAVOR ANNEXATION

Senor Manuel Luciano Diaz, Secretary of Public Works and Acting Secretary of Agriculture, Industry and Commerce, Departs-Inhabitants of Gem of the Antilles, While Having Highest Regard for Americans, Wish to Remain Free to Work Out Their Own Destiny-Panama Canal Will Promote Commercial Growth of Country.



MANUEL LUCIANO DIAZ, Secretary of Public Works and Acting Secretary of Agriculture, Industry and Commerce and president of the Railroad Commission of the Republic of Cuba.

emphatically at the Hotel Jefferson yes-terday that annexation to the United

as the official representative of the Re-public to visit the Louisiana Purchase

foremest, there is no sentiment whatever in Cuba, which favors annexation to the United States. We do not want it and no portion of the citizenship, not even the Americans themselves, who have become interested financially in the resources of the island, have any desure for a closer resationship with the great American Republic than that which we now enjoy.

Not that we do hot have the highest respect and regard for the Government which did so much for Cuba' and her people. There will always be that bond of brotherly love between our people and the catizens of the United States. We thoroughly appreciate all that was done for us. Not alone during the Spanish-American Occupation of the island, when the first efforts were made to purify and cleanse the cities and to give us a stable Government under our own control.

"We can never forget the United States and what she has done for us, yet we feel that her duty, both as a nation and as a guardian, has been practically competed. Our Government as it now stands is thoroughly democratic represents all of the interests of the island and is doing its work nobly and well. No element of the population can point to a feature which could be improved by annexation to the United States. As I say, such talk is absurd and foolish, None of us work nobly and well. No element of the population can point to a feature which could be improved by annexation to the United States. We are immensely satisfied as matters new stand. "Never before did the future appear so bright to the island. Commercially, hygienically and politically, every prospect for the advancement of the Republic seems assured as most propinous and we feel that nothing is more desirable from the Cuban viewpoint than a continuation of conditions as they now stand. There is no political party in Cuba which favors annexation, and there is no portion of the population in the least representative, which is disposed to change present policies and present circumstances. in Cuba, which favors annexation to the United States. We do not want it and ERA OF PROSPERITY BEGINS.

"Cuba just now is at the verge of a great period of prosperity and commercial supremacy. Since the ending of the war

Senor Manuel Luciano Diaz. Secretary of Public Works and secretary pro tempore of Agriculture. Industry and Comerce of the Republic of Cuba. declared emphatically at the Hotel Jefferson yesterday that annexation to the United States forms no portion of the policy of the Cuban Government, nor is it desired by any element of the population of the "Gem of the Antillea"

Double importance is given to the statement of Senor Diaz for the reason that within the last week a purported interview with the high official of the Cuban Cabinet, sent from a Texas city, stated definitely that Senor Diaz and most of the officials of Cuba were favorable to annexation to the United States, and that at no late day.

Senor Diaz left Havana on October 18 as the official representative of the Republic to visit the Louisiana Purchase

Senor Manuel Luciano Diaz. Secretary and the assumption of government and authority by the Cubans every effort has been made by the officials to use all the means at their command to develop the wonderful resources of the country, and in this I feel that we have succeeded.

"First, the sanitation of the sauter the most unreasonable critic that we have perfected as splendid a system of sanitary and hygienic improvements as can be found in the world. Millions of dollars have been expended by the general Government in cleaning the cities, especially Havana and Santiago de Cuba.

"At present we are expending \$1,500,000 in completing the sanitary work in Havana, and even now we can furnish every evidence that our capital is the cleanest city in the world. The immense sum which we are expending the value of the work is finished Havana will be unrivaled from the standpoint of health and cleanlines by any city in any country on earth.

"Just before I left Havana for the

senor Diaz left Havana on October 18 as the official representative of the Republic to visit the Louisians Purchase Exposition, and in the course of his trip he was the guest of several of the cities of the South, whose surrounding territory has much in common, from a commercial viewpoint, with Cuba. He was foted and entertained, and it was at one of these entertainments that he was reported to have made the statement, which he denies as false in every particular.

"I never made any statement which could possibly be changed into an assertion that annexation to the United States was desired by the residents of the Island of Cuba or by any portion of the same, and least of all that the proposition entered into the politics of the Island, and that I, with my friends, was favorable to such a policy.

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The complete from the standpoint of the United States full credit for talking the initiative in this most necessary and wonderful system of improvement, and we acknowledge that the plans which have been followed since the end of the American rule have been but enlargements and extensions of the original ideas which were formulated by the civil and military officials of the United States. We have carried on this work ourselves, however, and with our own resources, and it is with pride that we now speak of the splendid and healthul conditions of our specific and healthul conditions of our specific

CANAL A GREAT BENEFIT. During the past year more than 300 kilonoters of rallways interlacing the Island were open for traffic, making a total mileage for Cuba of more than 2,000 mileslarger than many of the States of the United States, and remarkable when the size and natural conditions of the island size and natural conditions of the island are considered. This fact alone gives some idea of the resources of our country and the possibilities which await its citizens. Many Americans are coming in, and, for that matter, we are welcoming citizens of every civilized nation. They are developing the great fruit plantations of the interior and gradually clearing up the country and bringing it into a productive condition, which was thought impossible only a few years ago. try and bringing it into a productive condition, which was thought impossible only a few years ago.

"The building of the Panama Caral will prove of immense benefit to Cuba. By the time the canal is completed the splendid harbors of the island will have been made well-nigh perfect if the present plans of the Government reach their fulfillment. On the natural highway, then, between the Pacific nations and Europe, these ports will be stopping places for the commerce of the world. The most pessimistic of those who realize the true situation in Cuba must become enthusiastic over the possibilities just coming into view."

Senor Diaz arrived in St. Louis Sunday morning and was greeted by a party of representative business men, including Esteban Duque Estrada, Commissioner General from Cuba to the Exposition, and Ricardo Diaz Albertini, chairman of the Reception Committee of the Exposition, representing President Francis.

A sudden and important telegram summoned Senor Diaz yesterday morning to New York, and he left at 12:30 yesterday afternoon over the Pennsylvania. He will return to St. Louis on Friday and the round of receptions and social events which had been planned for this week will begin with his return to the city. Because of his sudden departure Senor Diaz has as yet not seen the Cuban Pavillon, which he will visit officially on his return.

PREPARING CHESLEY ISLAND. Officials Visit Garbage Dumping

Ground to Rush Work.

To rush the work at Chesley Island, where the city garbage is to be dumped beginning November 15, the day after the expiration of the Butler emergency contract, Hiram Phillips, president of the Board of Public Improvements, and Sewer per Valliant took a down-river trip on the harbor boat, Mark Twain, yes terday morning with a gang of Work-house convicts for laborers.

Sheds will be erected and docks built for dumping the garbage, and it is expected that all will be in readiness in two weeks.

ST. LOUIS SHOES IN DEMAND.

Big Gain in October Shipments. As a record of prosperous business, the Roberts, Johnson & Rand Shoe Company of St. Louis report a gain in shipments for October of \$100.737.98. They report, also, orders for \$9.473 dozen received during Oc-tober, amounting to \$1.255,000.

Drouth Affects Kentucky Towns. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Frankfort, Ky., Oct. 21.—The long drought is severely feit in Central Kentucky, and inland towns are endangered by lack of fire protection. They are compelled to send their laundry here because of lack of water.

Territorial Fair at Muskogee. Muskogee, L. T., Oct. 21.—There is

movement on foot among prominent busi movement on foot among prominent outsiness men of Muskogee, and other towns, to organize a Territorial Fair to be held at Muskogee next summer. This is to be made a permanent institution and merged into a State fair when statehood comes. The movement is backed by many prominent stock men and bids fair to be consummated.

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New Local Manager for Postal. The local management of the Postal elegraph Company will be changed to Telegraph Company will be changed to-day, W. S. Truesdell, who has for the past year, been local manager, resigning, to accept the management of the Dental Manufacturing Company, at Columbus, O. W. S. Daniels, who has up to the present time occupied the position of chief cierk in the superintendent's office, at Chicago, has been selected to succeed Mr. Trues-dell, and will take charge of the com-pany's affairs in St. Louis to-day.

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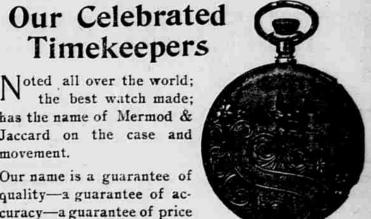
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ANNUAL POLICE BENEFIT. Train Robbery and Airship Ascension Are Some of Features.

With a programme consisting of a very ealistic representation of a train robbery, an airship ascension and many of the highest class attractions of the Pike at the World's Fair, the annual police benefit, which will take place at the old Fair Grounds on Vandeventer avenue within the next few weeks, promises to be the greatest entertainment of its kind

ever held.

The train robbery will be thrilling in its realism, and will constitute one of the finest outdoor performances ever seen. The train will be moving at full speed when an explosion of a torpedo on the track it will stop. The bandits will hold the engineer and fireman and other members of the train crew at bay while other members of the tenin crew at bay while other members of the desperate gang will go through the passengers pockets. The bandits will be pursued and captured by a posse of real detectives.

The airship ascension will be the real thing. Of the Pike shows, Hagenbeck's and the Boer War have aiready convented to appear, and it is probable that others will follow. ever held.

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SECOND ELECTION IN WEBSTER School District Will Vote Again

bond issue for a new school, it having been decided that the election held for that purpose two weeks ago was not sufdelently valid to insure a ready sale of At the election held two weeks ago the advocates of the new school had eight

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votes more than the required two-thirds majority, but a question was raised as to the regularity of the count. The question was a result of the manner in which cer-tain ballots were scratched. The County Court was yesterday asked again to designate polling places for the special election.

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Award Contract for Gymnasium Foundation to St. Louis Firm.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Columbia. Mo., Oct. 31.-A regular meet ing of the Executive Board of the Board of Curators of Missouri University was held this afternoon, Campbell Wells of Platte City, and Walter Williams of Columbia, being present.
The contract for the construction of the

foundation to the new gymnasium was let enro to Wilson & Son of St. Louis. versi F. S. Liepsner was appointed assistant in ago.

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chemistry. Miss Ruby Fitch was appointed assistant in botany. The report of Judge J. D. Lawson, dean of the law department, showed that the

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